

Profits earned by the Bureau of Mineral Development.

*Q.—140. Sri C. K. RAJIAH SETTY (Chicknayakanahalli).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the quantity and sale value of iron ore mined and sold by the Bureau of Mineral Development in the years 1957-58, 1958-59 and 1959-60 up to 30th December 1959;

(b) the profits in each of these years?

A.—Sri K. F. PATIL (Minister for Forest and Transport).—

(a) (1) 1957-58 No mining of iron ore.

(2) 1958-59 do

(3) 1959-60—
upto 30th December 1959 iron ore mined 32,869 tons.
Value: Rs. 2,95,821.

Sold: 12,227 tons railed. Total sale value realised Rs. 1,10,043.

(b) The accounts for the financial year 1959-60 is not yet finalised. The profits can only be assessed after that.

Sri C. K. RAJIAH SETTY.—You have stated that it is only in 1959-60, that the Mineral Development Board undertook mining of iron ore. Is the Government aware that the Government of India informed in the year 1957, that iron ore was scheduled as “A” mineral?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಎಫ್. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—ಅ ಬೋರ್ಡ್ ಕೆಲಸ ಪುರು ಮಾಡುವ ವರೆಗೆ ಬೇರೆ ಬೇರೆ ಏರ್ಪಡಿಸು ತೆಗೆದಿದ್ದಾರೆ ಯೇ ಎನಾ ಕಬ್ಬಿಣದ ಅದುರನ್ನು ತೆಗೆ ದಿಲ್ಲ.

Sri C. K. RAJIAH SETTY.—When there was good iron market, why did they start it at a late hour?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಎಫ್. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—1959ರಲ್ಲೇ ಬೋರ್ಡ್ ಅಸ್ತಿತ್ವಕ್ಕೆ ಬಂದದ್ದು. ಆಗಿನಿಂದ ತೆಗೆಯುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

Sri C. K. RAJIAH SETTY.—May I know whether the Mineral Development Board has taken any portion of the Japanese contract which was concluded with S.T.C.?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಎಫ್. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—ಮಿನರಲ್ ಡೆವಲಪ್ ಮೆಂಟ್ ಬೋರ್ಡ್ ಎಸ್. ಟಿ. ಸಿ. ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಒಂದು ಒಪ್ಪಂದ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಂಡಿದೆ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಸಿ. ಕೆ. ರಾಜಯ್ಯಶೆಟ್ಟಿ.—ಎಷ್ಟು ಟನ್ ಗೆ? ಯಾವ ಬೇಸಿನ್ ಮೇಲೆ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಎಫ್. ಪಾಟೀಲ್.—F.O.R. ಬೇಸಿನ್ ಮೇಲೆ, 50 ಸಾವಿರ ಟನ್ ವರೆಗೆ. 30 ಸಾವಿರ ಟನ್ ವರೆಗೆ ಈಗಾಗಲೇ ತೆಗೆಯುತ್ತಿದೆ. 12,227 ಟನ್ ವಾರಾಟವಾದ ರೈಲಿಗೆ ಹಾಕಿದೆ, ರೈಲ್ವೆ ಅದಚಣೆ ಯಿಂದ ಎಲ್ಲಾ ಕಳುಹಿಸಲು ಬೇಗ ಸಾಧ್ಯವಾಗಿದೆ.

Construction of Causeways in Sakleshpur Taluk.

*Q.—150. Sri B. N. BORANNA GOWDA (Belur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether it is a fact that estimates were got prepared for the construction of causeways across Kuntikalla in Hanbad Hobli across Hulimavinahole in Hettur Hobli and across Byadanahalla in Sakaleshpur Taluk;

(b) whether they are aware that the people of the surrounding villages are urging the Government for the last 10 years to construct these causeways;

(c) the reasons for postponing the construction of these causeways for such a long time of over 10 years?

A.—Sri H. M. CHANNABASAPPA (Minister for Public Works and Electricity).—

(a) Yes. Estimates in respect of the first work have been sanctioned, while the estimates in respect of the latter two have been got up and are under further technical scrutiny.

(b) There have been representations for the last five or six years.

(c) Since the causeways are on District Fund roads, the works could not be taken up earlier. They are now being considered under the new programme approved by Government.

Sri B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Is it not a fact that for more than 15 years the people of the surrounding villages have been urging the Government to construct these causeways?